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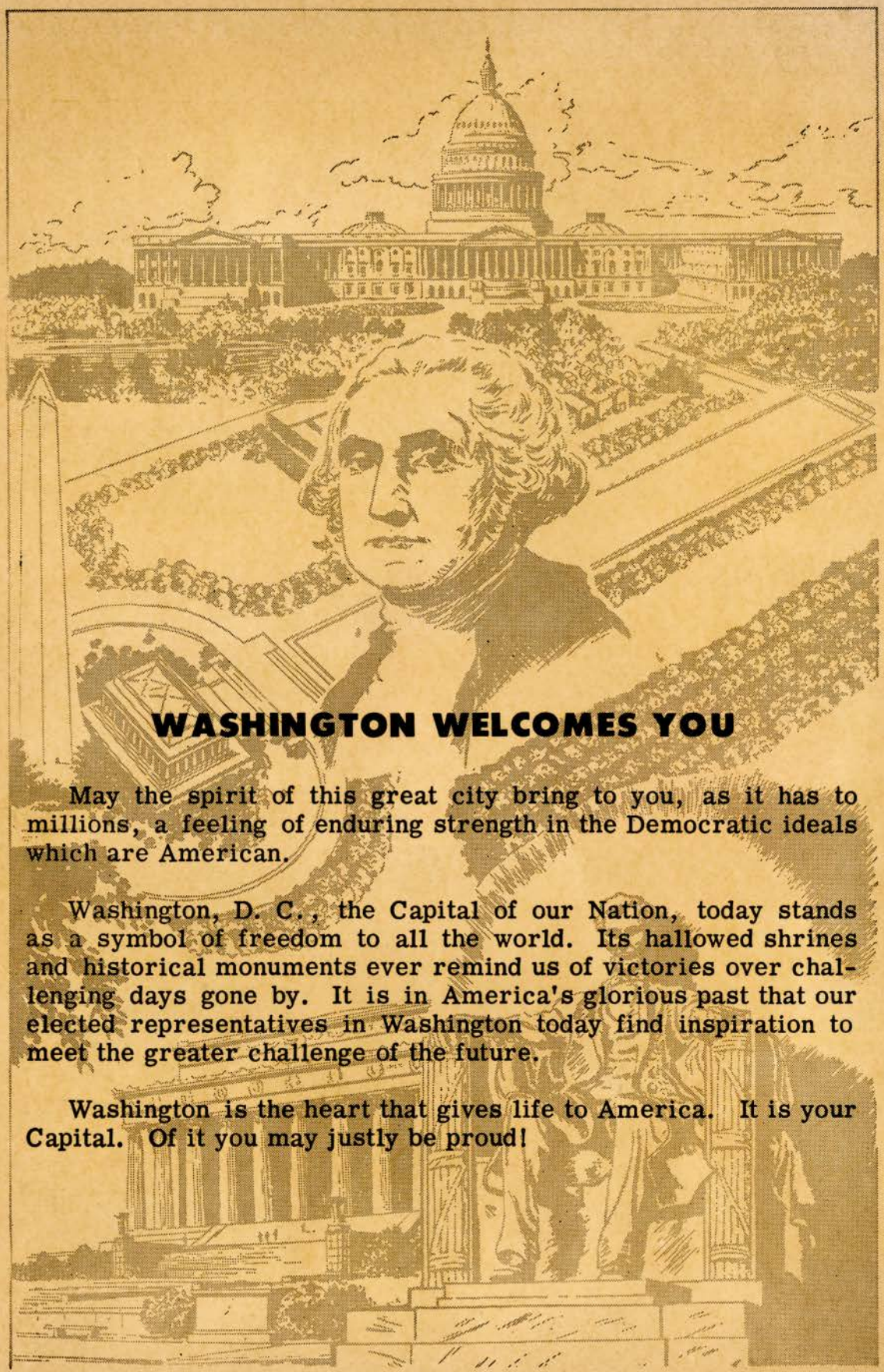
THE WONDERFUL SIGHTS IN WASHINGTON NEVER SEEM TO END. ISN'T IT BEAUTIFUL?
SURE IS! I'LL BET IT'S THE MOST INTERESTING CITY IN THE WHOLE WORLD!

OUR NATION'S CAPITAL



WASHINGTON WELCOMES YOU

May the spirit of this great city bring to you, as it has to millions, a feeling of enduring strength in the Democratic ideals which are American.

Washington, D. C., the Capital of our Nation, today stands as a symbol of freedom to all the world. Its hallowed shrines and historical monuments ever remind us of victories over challenging days gone by. It is in America's glorious past that our elected representatives in Washington today find inspiration to meet the greater challenge of the future.

Washington is the heart that gives life to America. It is your Capital. Of it you may justly be proud!

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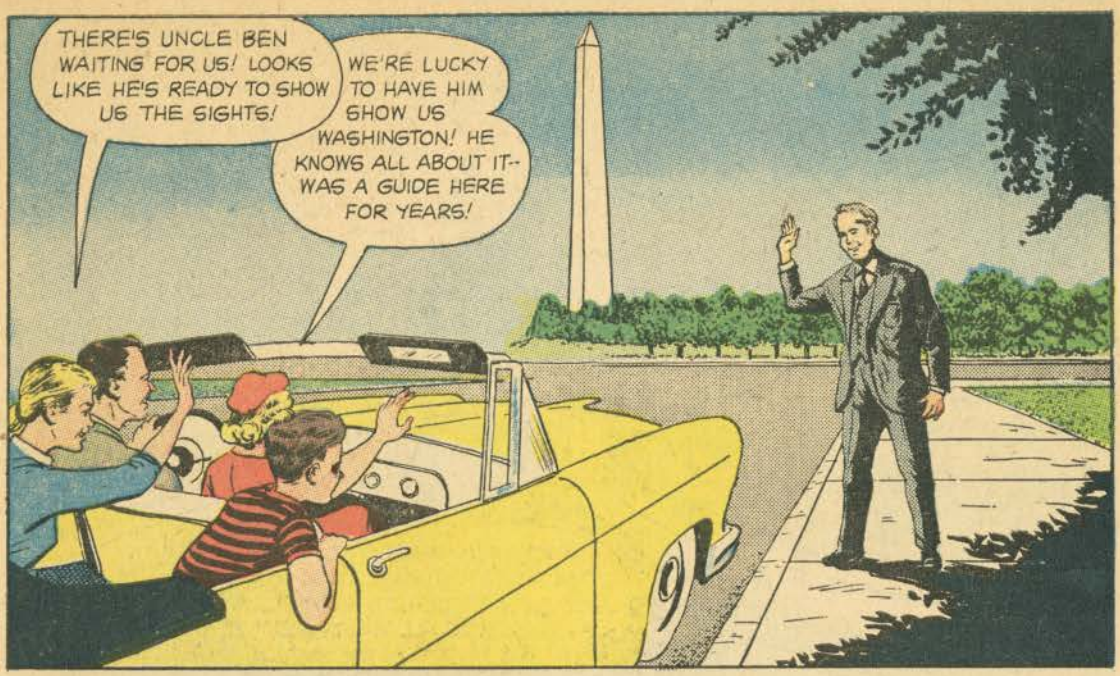
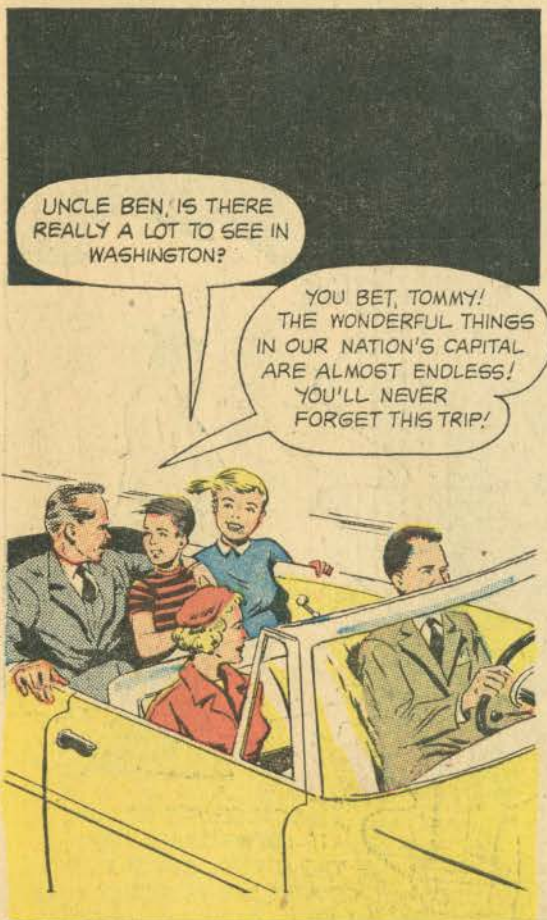
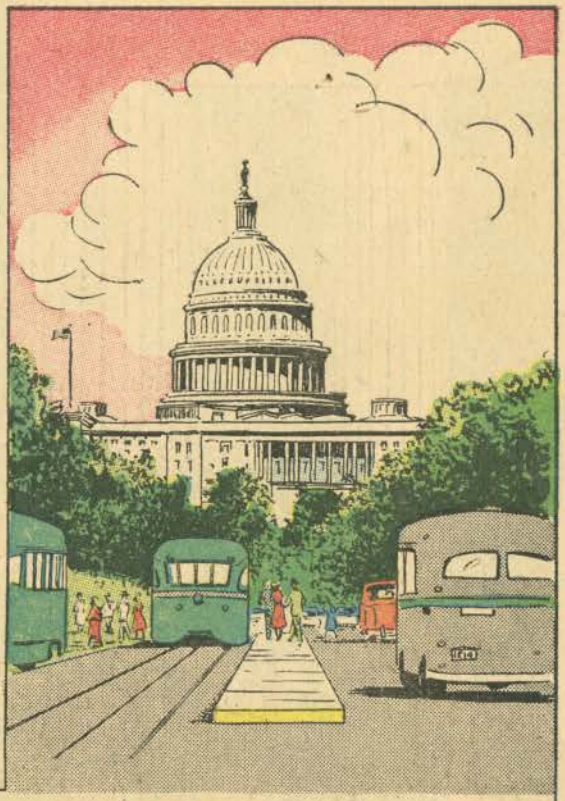
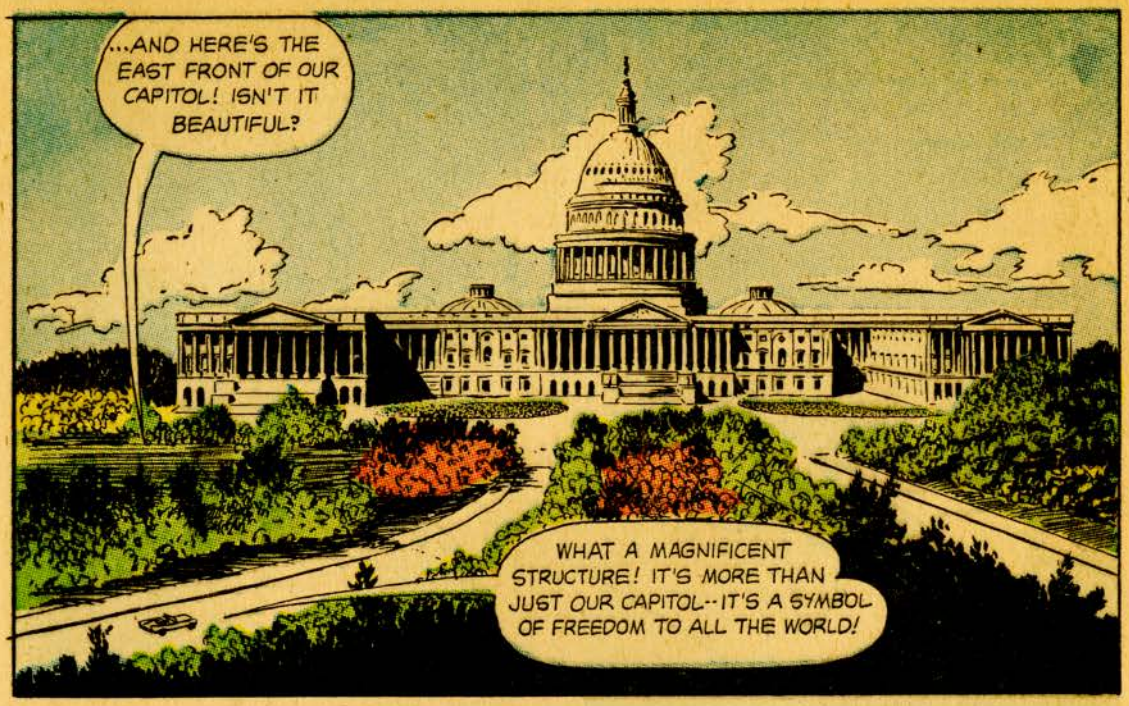

THERE'S UNCLE BEN WAITING FOR US! LOOKS LIKE HE'S READY TO SHOW US THE SIGHTS!
WE'RE LUCKY TO HAVE HIM SHOW US WASHINGTON! HE KNOWS ALL ABOUT IT--WAS A GUIDE HERE FOR YEARS!

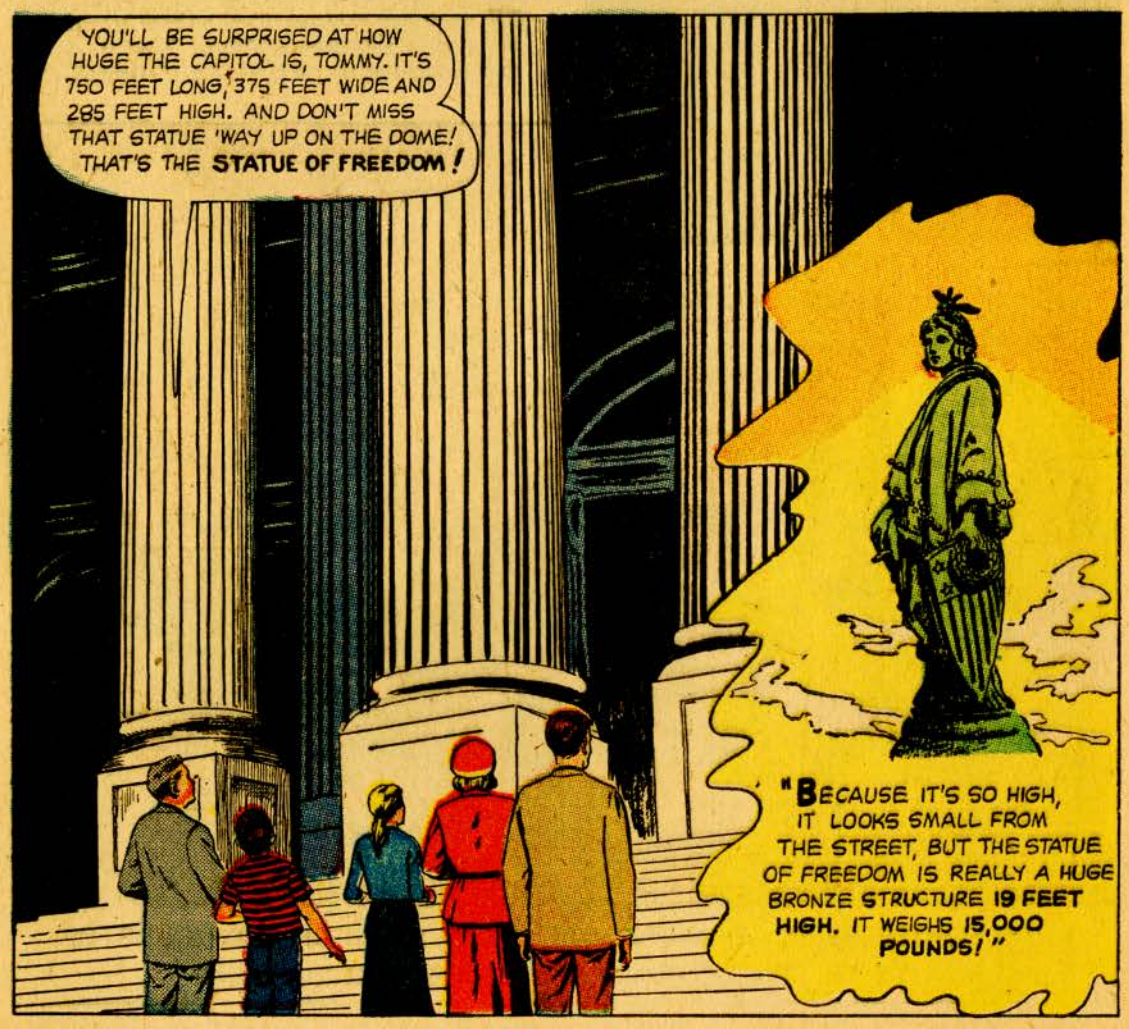
"THE FIRST THING WE'RE GOING TO SEE IS OUR **NATION'S CAPITOL**! THAT'S THE WEST FRONT OF IT STRAIGHT AHEAD..."


UNCLE BEN, IS THERE REALLY A LOT TO SEE IN WASHINGTON?
YOU BET, TOMMY! THE WONDERFUL THINGS IN OUR NATION'S CAPITAL ARE ALMOST ENDLESS! YOU'LL NEVER FORGET THIS TRIP!

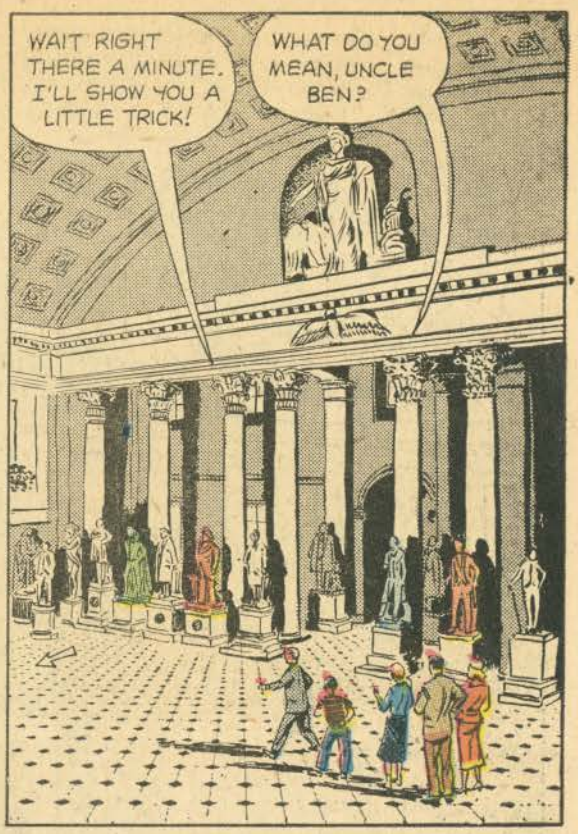


NOTE: SIGHTSEERS IN WASHINGTON ARE URGED TO CHECK THE HOURS OF ADMISSION TO ALL PUBLIC BUILDINGS BEFORE VISITING THEM.

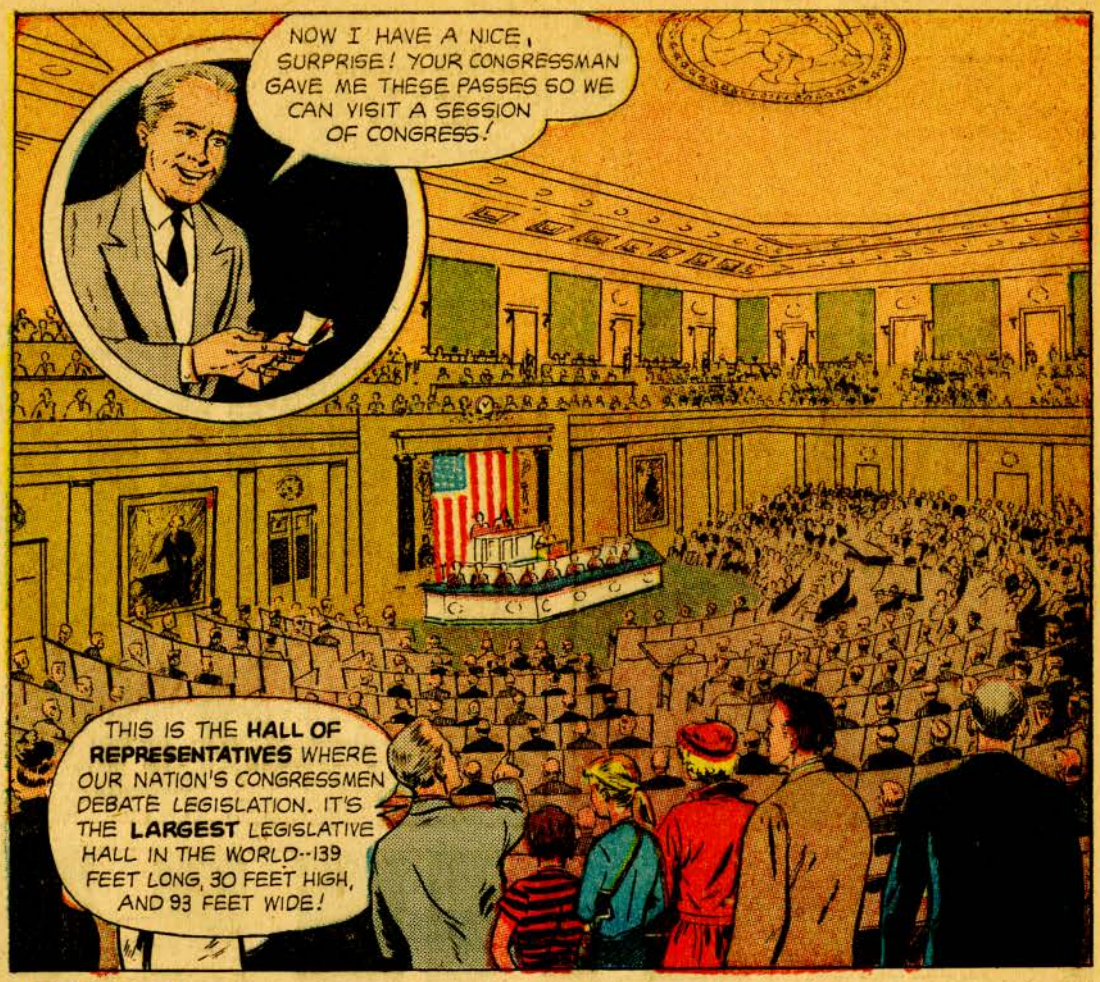

...AND HERE'S THE EAST FRONT OF OUR CAPITOL! ISN'T IT BEAUTIFUL?
WHAT A MAGNIFICENT STRUCTURE! IT'S MORE THAN JUST OUR CAPITOL--IT'S A SYMBOL OF FREEDOM TO ALL THE WORLD!


YOU'LL BE SURPRISED AT HOW HUGE THE CAPITOL IS, TOMMY. IT'S 750 FEET LONG, 375 FEET WIDE AND 285 FEET HIGH. AND DON'T MISS THAT STATUE 'WAY UP ON THE DOME! THAT'S THE STATUE OF FREEDOM!
"BECAUSE IT'S SO HIGH, IT LOOKS SMALL FROM THE STREET, BUT THE STATUE OF FREEDOM IS REALLY A HUGE BRONZE STRUCTURE 19 FEET HIGH. IT WEIGHS 15,000 POUNDS!"

IN THEIR TOUR OF THE CAPITOL, TOMMY AND PAT FIND **STATUARY HALL** A MOST INTERESTING ROOM...
THIS IS WHERE CONGRESS MET IN THE OLD DAYS. GREAT LEADERS SUCH AS JOHN QUINCY ADAMS, ABRAHAM LINCOLN, HORACE GREELEY, ANDREW JOHNSON AND HENRY CLAY HELPED MAKE OUR NATION'S LAWS RIGHT IN THIS ROOM!
I RECOGNIZE MOST OF THOSE STATUES OF GREAT AMERICANS...THEY ALMOST LOOK REAL!


WAIT RIGHT THERE A MINUTE. I'LL SHOW YOU A LITTLE TRICK!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, UNCLE BEN?

AS LONG AS I STAND ON THIS FLAGSTONE, YOU CAN HEAR ME WHISPERING. BUT IF I MOVE ONLY A FEW INCHES, YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO HEAR ME!
HE **WASN'T** JOKING... IT REALLY WORKED!
I DON'T UNDERSTAND IT...
THEY ARE EVEN MORE MYSTIFIED WHEN UNCLE BEN TELLS THEM THAT STONE HAPPENS TO MARK THE SPOT WHERE JOHN QUINCY ADAMS COLLAPSED WITH PARALYSIS AFTER A GREAT SPEECH!


NOW I HAVE A NICE, SURPRISE! YOUR CONGRESSMAN GAVE ME THESE PASSES SO WE CAN VISIT A SESSION OF CONGRESS!
THIS IS THE **HALL OF REPRESENTATIVES** WHERE OUR NATION'S CONGRESSMEN DEBATE LEGISLATION. IT'S THE **LARGEST** LEGISLATIVE HALL IN THE WORLD--139 FEET LONG, 30 FEET HIGH, AND 93 FEET WIDE!

LATER...
HOW ABOUT THE SUBWAY THAT RUNS FROM HERE TO THE SENATE OFFICE BUILDING--WILL THE CHILDREN GET A RIDE ON IT?
THAT'S NEXT. BET YOU'LL GET A KICK OUT OF IT, TOO!

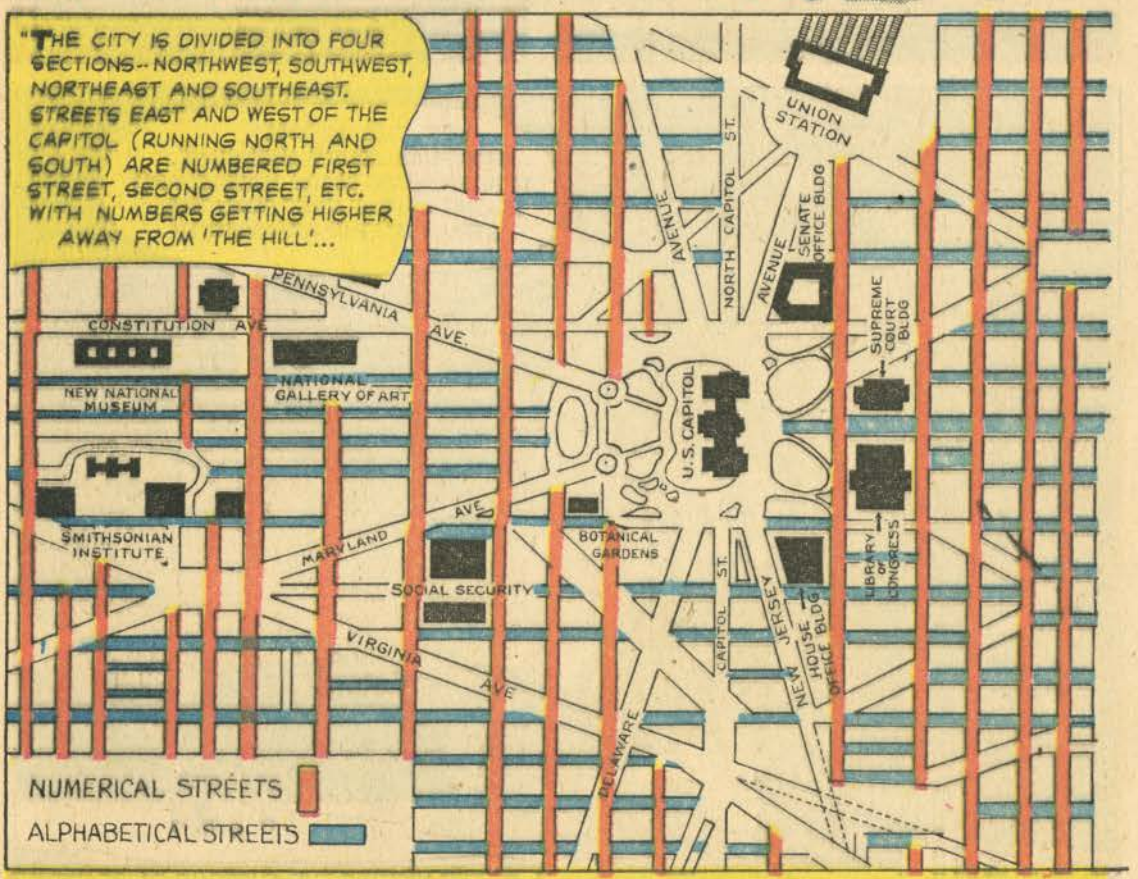
WE'LL TAKE A QUICK LOOK AT THE SENATE OFFICE BUILDING, THEN VISIT SOME OTHER INTERESTING POINTS ON "THE HILL"!
CAUTION

JUST WHAT IS MEANT BY "CAPITOL HILL," UNCLE BEN?

WELL, WHEN MAJOR CHARLES PIERRE L'ENFANT PLANNED THE CITY, HE SPOTTED THE CAPITOL AT THE CENTER OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA. THAT HAPPENED TO LOCATE IT ON A HILL. NOW EVERYONE REFERS TO THE AREA AROUND THE CAPITOL AS "THE HILL"!

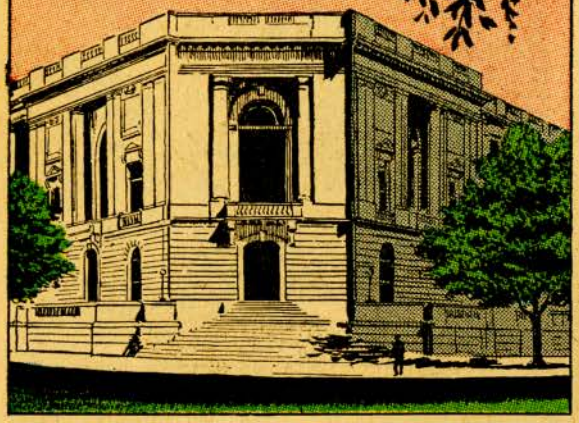
IF YOU CAN PICTURE WASHINGTON AS A HUGE WHEEL, YOU'LL FIND THAT THE CAPITOL IS THE "HUB" WITH STREETS FANNING OUT IN ALL DIRECTIONS!

"THE CITY IS DIVIDED INTO FOUR SECTIONS--NORTHWEST, SOUTHWEST, NORTHEAST AND SOUTHEAST. STREETS EAST AND WEST OF THE CAPITOL (RUNNING NORTH AND SOUTH) ARE NUMBERED FIRST STREET, SECOND STREET, ETC. WITH NUMBERS GETTING HIGHER AWAY FROM 'THE HILL'...



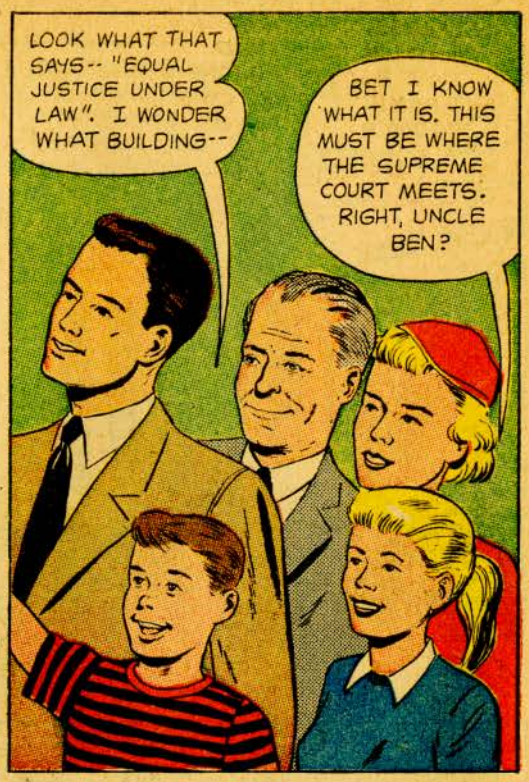
... STREETS NORTH AND SOUTH OF THE CAPITOL (RUNNING EAST AND WEST) FOLLOW THE ALPHABET--A, B, C, ETC. AFTER THE ALPHABET IS COMPLETED, THE FIRST LETTERS OF TWO-SYLLABLE NAMES MAKE UP ANOTHER ALPHABET. A THIRD ALPHABET USES THREE-SYLLABLE NAMES. CROSSING BOTH THE LETTERED AND NUMBERED STREETS ARE DIAGONAL AVENUES NAMED AFTER THE STATES!"

"ANOTHER IMPORTANT BUILDING ON 'THE HILL' IS THE **HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING.** CONGRESSMEN HAVE PRIVATE OFFICES AND HOLD COMMITTEE MEETINGS HERE. THE BUILDING IS LINKED WITH THE CAPITOL BY AN UNDERGROUND PEDESTRIAN SUBWAY. BUT LET'S MOVE ON. THERE'S SO MUCH TO SEE!"

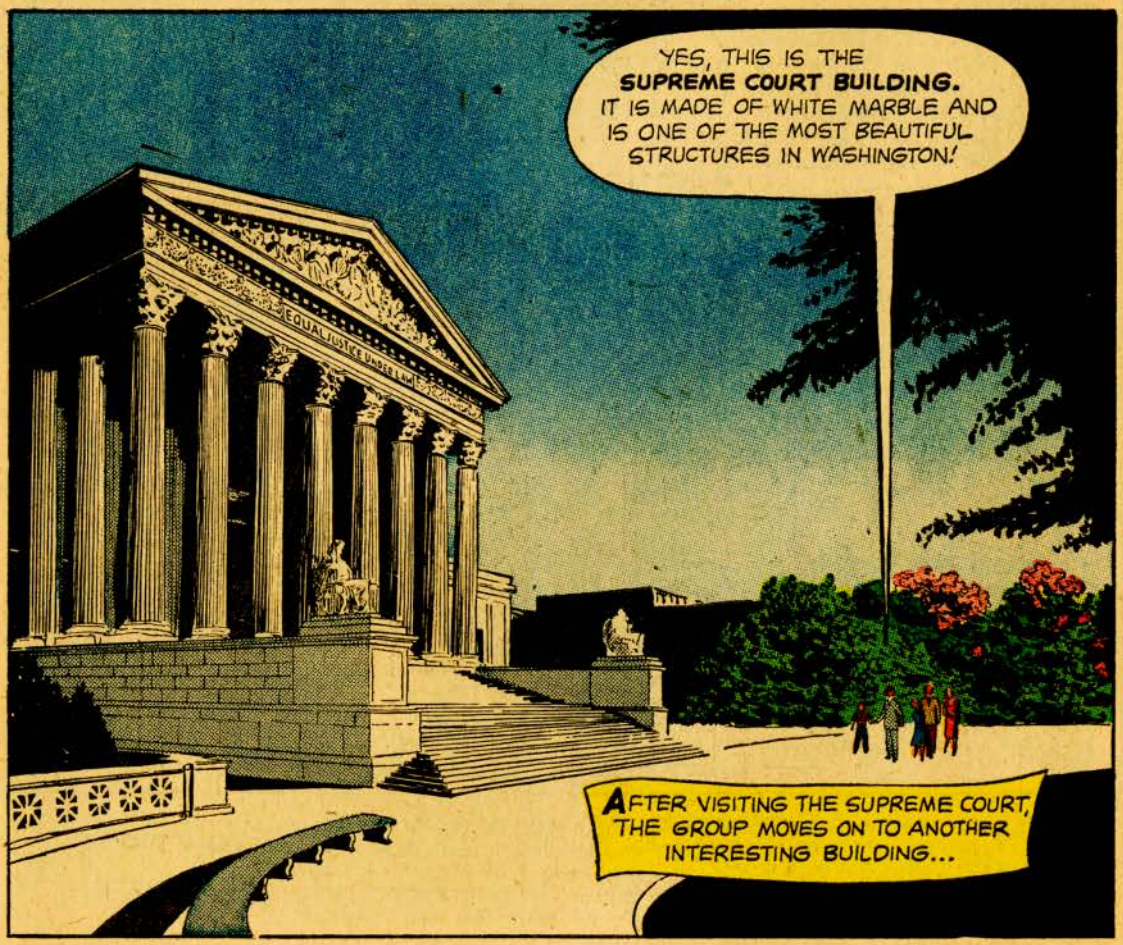


LOOK WHAT THAT SAYS-- "EQUAL JUSTICE UNDER LAW". I WONDER WHAT BUILDING--

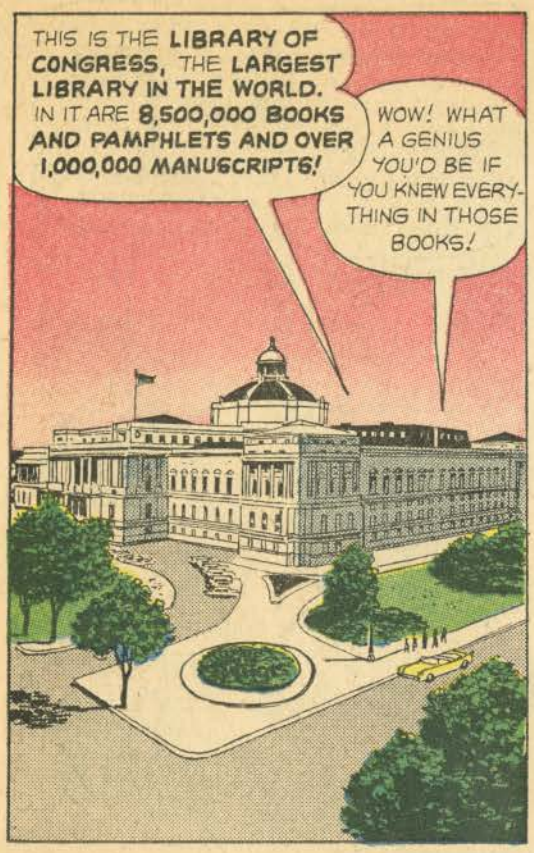
BET I KNOW WHAT IT IS. THIS MUST BE WHERE THE SUPREME COURT MEETS. RIGHT, UNCLE BEN?

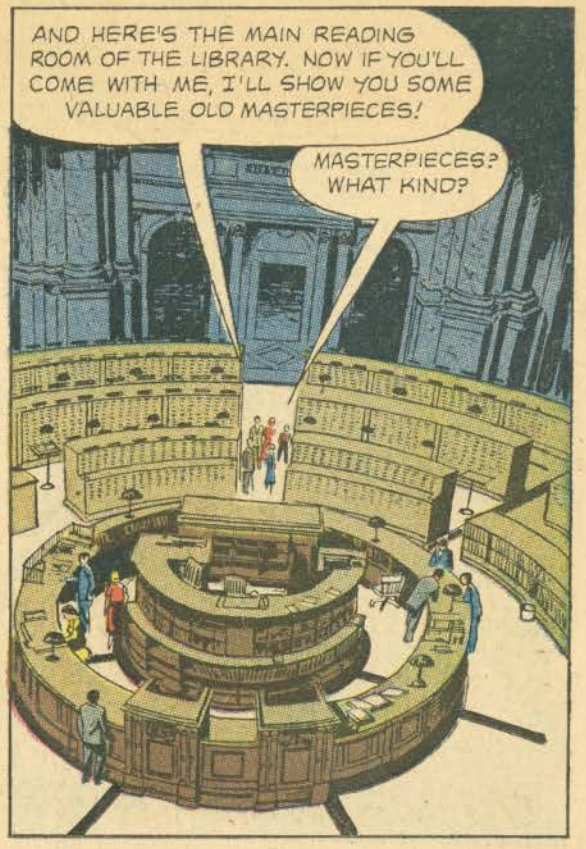


YES, THIS IS THE **SUPREME COURT BUILDING.** IT IS MADE OF WHITE MARBLE AND IS ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL STRUCTURES IN WASHINGTON!

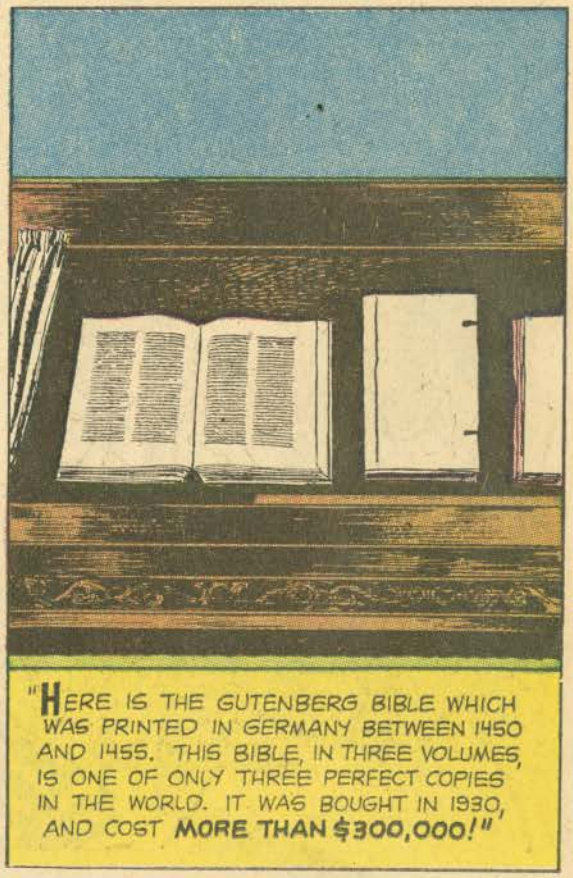


AFTER VISITING THE SUPREME COURT, THE GROUP MOVES ON TO ANOTHER INTERESTING BUILDING...


THIS IS THE **LIBRARY OF CONGRESS,** THE **LARGEST LIBRARY IN THE WORLD.** IN IT ARE **8,500,000 BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS AND OVER 1,000,000 MANUSCRIPTS!**
WOW! WHAT A GENIUS YOU'D BE IF YOU KNEW EVERYTHING IN THOSE BOOKS!


AND HERE'S THE MAIN READING ROOM OF THE LIBRARY. NOW IF YOU'LL COME WITH ME, I'LL SHOW YOU SOME VALUABLE OLD MASTERPIECES!
MASTERPIECES? WHAT KIND?

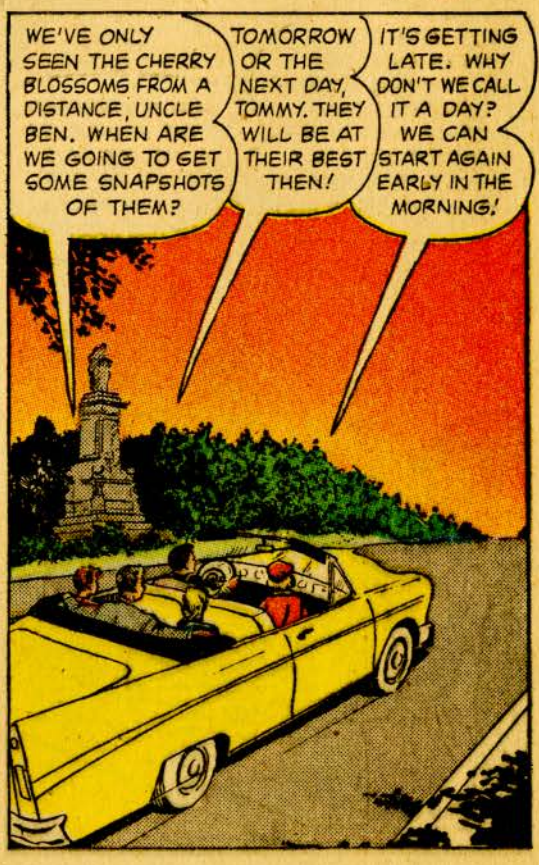
OVER HERE IS A COPY OF LINCOLN'S GETTYSBURG ADDRESS IN HIS OWN HANDWRITING JUST AS HE WROTE IT THAT DAY ON THE TRAIN MORE THAN 90 YEARS AGO!
"...THAT GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE, BY THE PEOPLE AND FOR THE PEOPLE SHALL NOT PERISH FROM THE EARTH!"
I SEE WHAT YOU MEAN BY MASTERPIECES, UNCLE BEN. THIS IS TOPS!


"HERE IS THE GUTENBERG BIBLE WHICH WAS PRINTED IN GERMANY BETWEEN 1450 AND 1455. THIS BIBLE, IN THREE VOLUMES, IS ONE OF ONLY THREE PERFECT COPIES IN THE WORLD. IT WAS BOUGHT IN 1930, AND COST **MORE THAN $300,000!**"

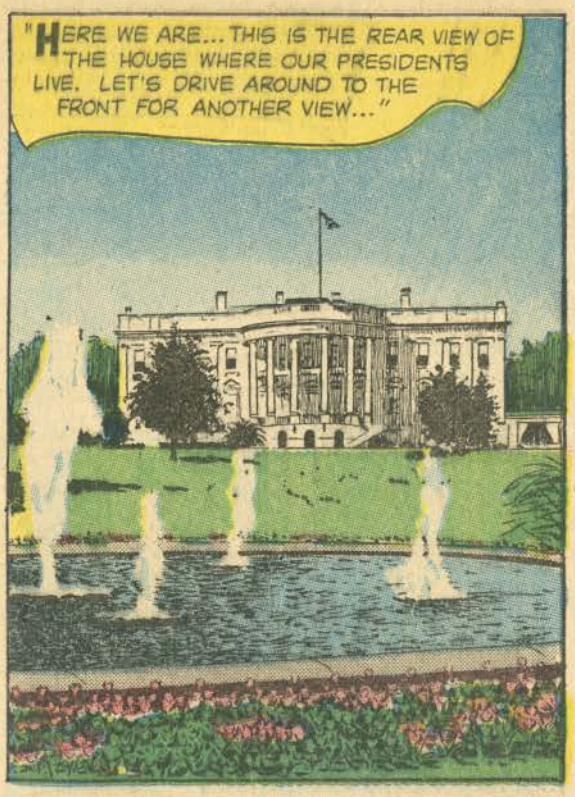
IT SEEMS THEY HAVE ABOUT EVERYTHING HERE THAT'S BEEN PRINTED. BUT I'LL BET THEY DON'T HAVE YESTERDAY'S NEWSPAPERS FROM HOME!
DON'T BE TOO SURE OF THAT, TOMMY. YOU MIGHT BE SURPRISED!
WHY DON'T WE FIND OUT?

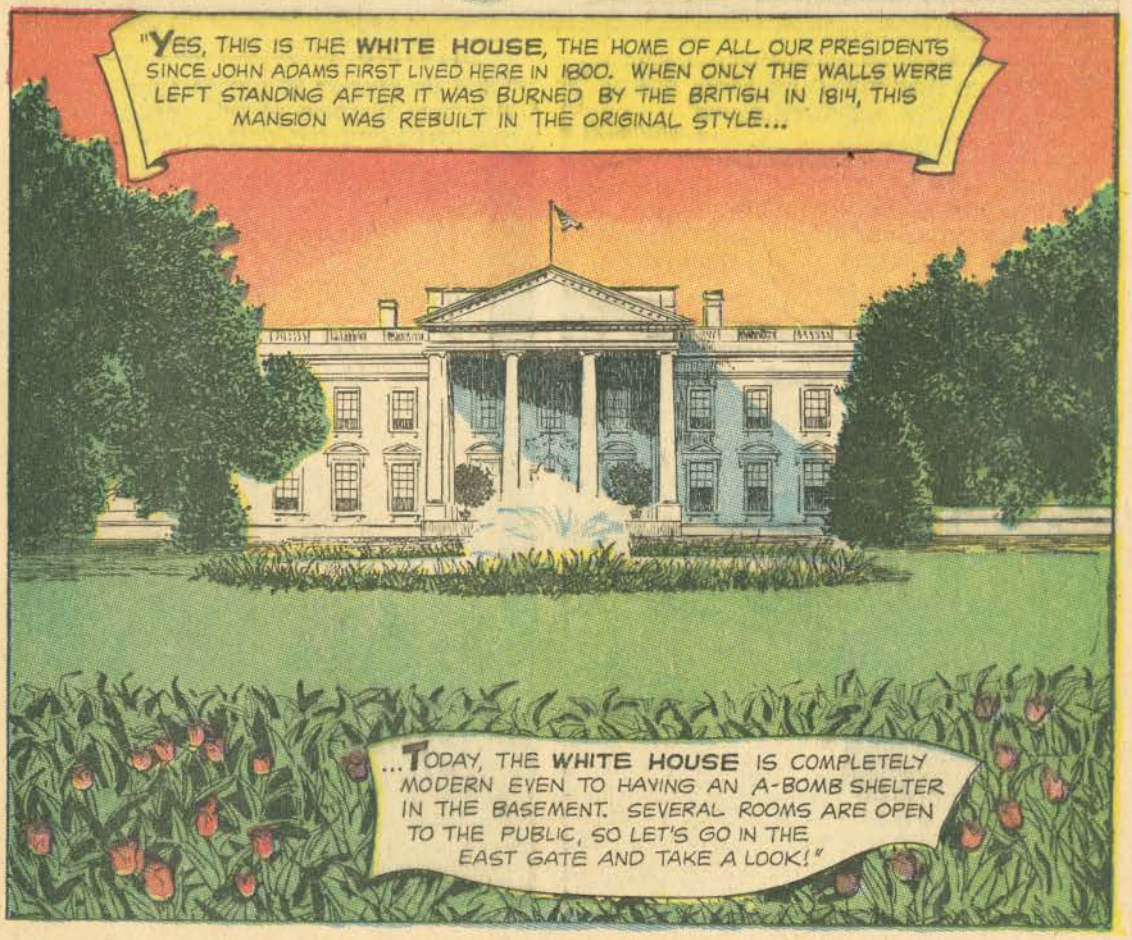
THEY GO TO THE PERIODICAL ROOM IN THE LIBRARY ANNEX. THERE...
LOOK AT THIS--OUR OWN HOME-TOWN NEWSPAPER! PRETTY NEAT, HUH? WE CAN READ ALL ABOUT OUR TRIP WHILE WE'RE RIGHT HERE!
LET ME SEE IT, TOMMY. I WANT TO SEE IF IT SAYS WE'RE HAVING A GOOD TIME!
LOCAL NEWS
JONES FAMILY OFF TO SEE WASHINGTON

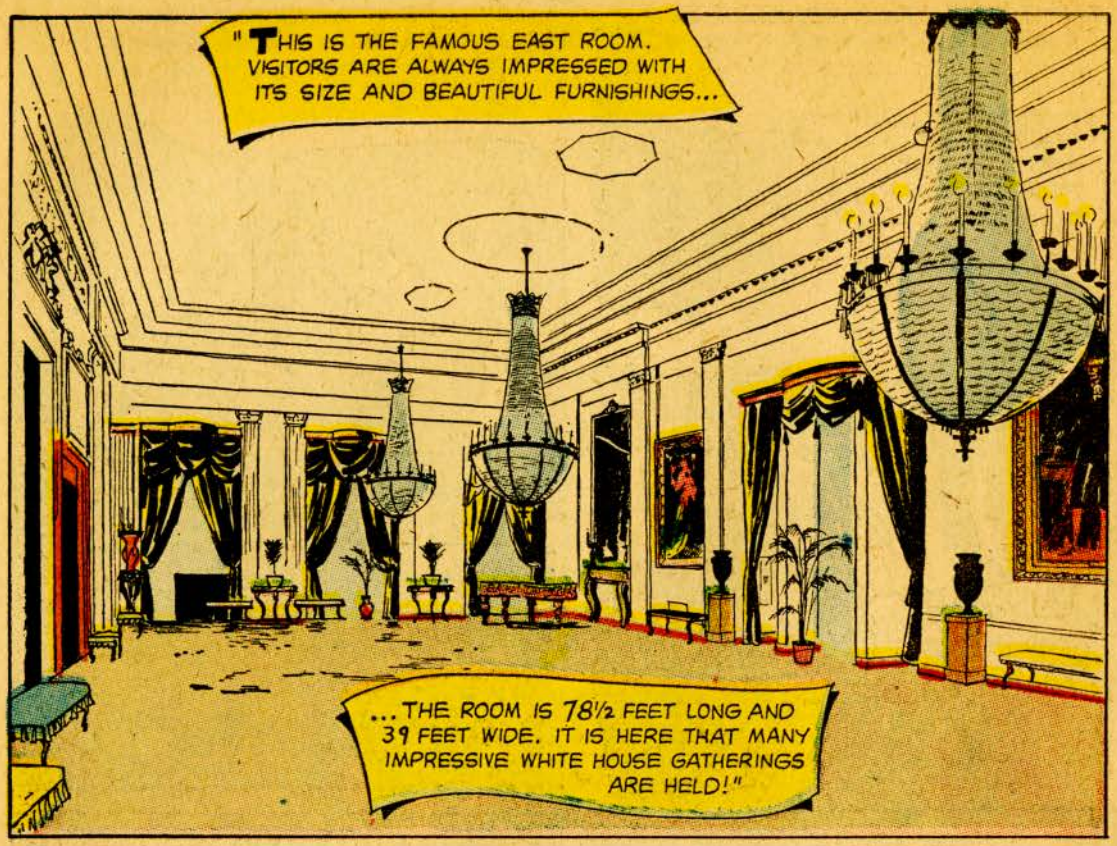
ARE YOU HAVING A GOOD TIME IN WASHINGTON, PAT?
OH YES, DAD! THIS IS THE MOST WONDERFUL CITY IN THE WORLD!

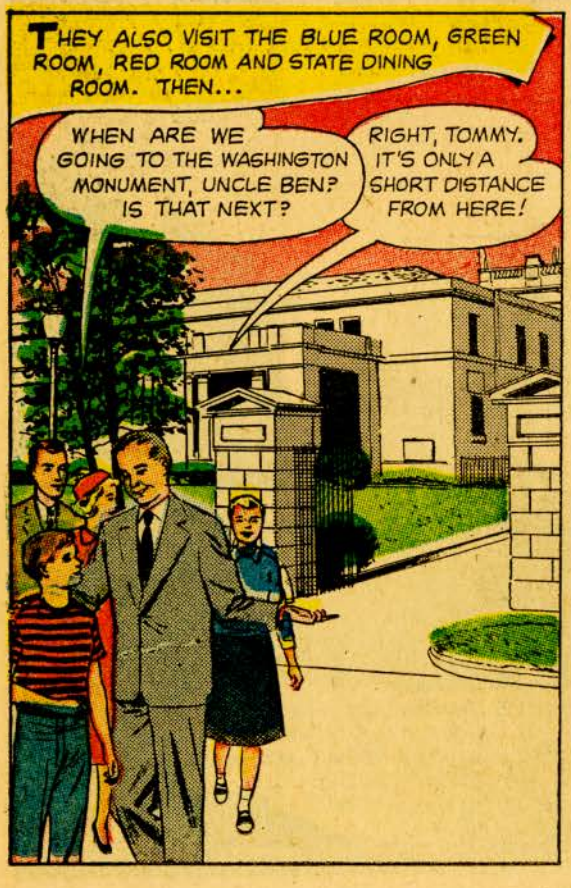

WE'VE ONLY SEEN THE CHERRY BLOSSOMS FROM A DISTANCE, UNCLE BEN. WHEN ARE WE GOING TO GET SOME SNAPSHOTS OF THEM?
TOMORROW OR THE NEXT DAY, TOMMY. THEY WILL BE AT THEIR BEST THEN!
IT'S GETTING LATE. WHY DON'T WE CALL IT A DAY? WE CAN START AGAIN EARLY IN THE MORNING.

GOOD MORNING, UNCLE BEN. WHAT'S ON THE TOUR TODAY?
FIRST STOP WILL BE 1600 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, NORTHWEST. DO YOU KNOW WHAT'S AT THAT FAMOUS ADDRESS?


"HERE WE ARE... THIS IS THE REAR VIEW OF THE HOUSE WHERE OUR PRESIDENTS LIVE. LET'S DRIVE AROUND TO THE FRONT FOR ANOTHER VIEW..."

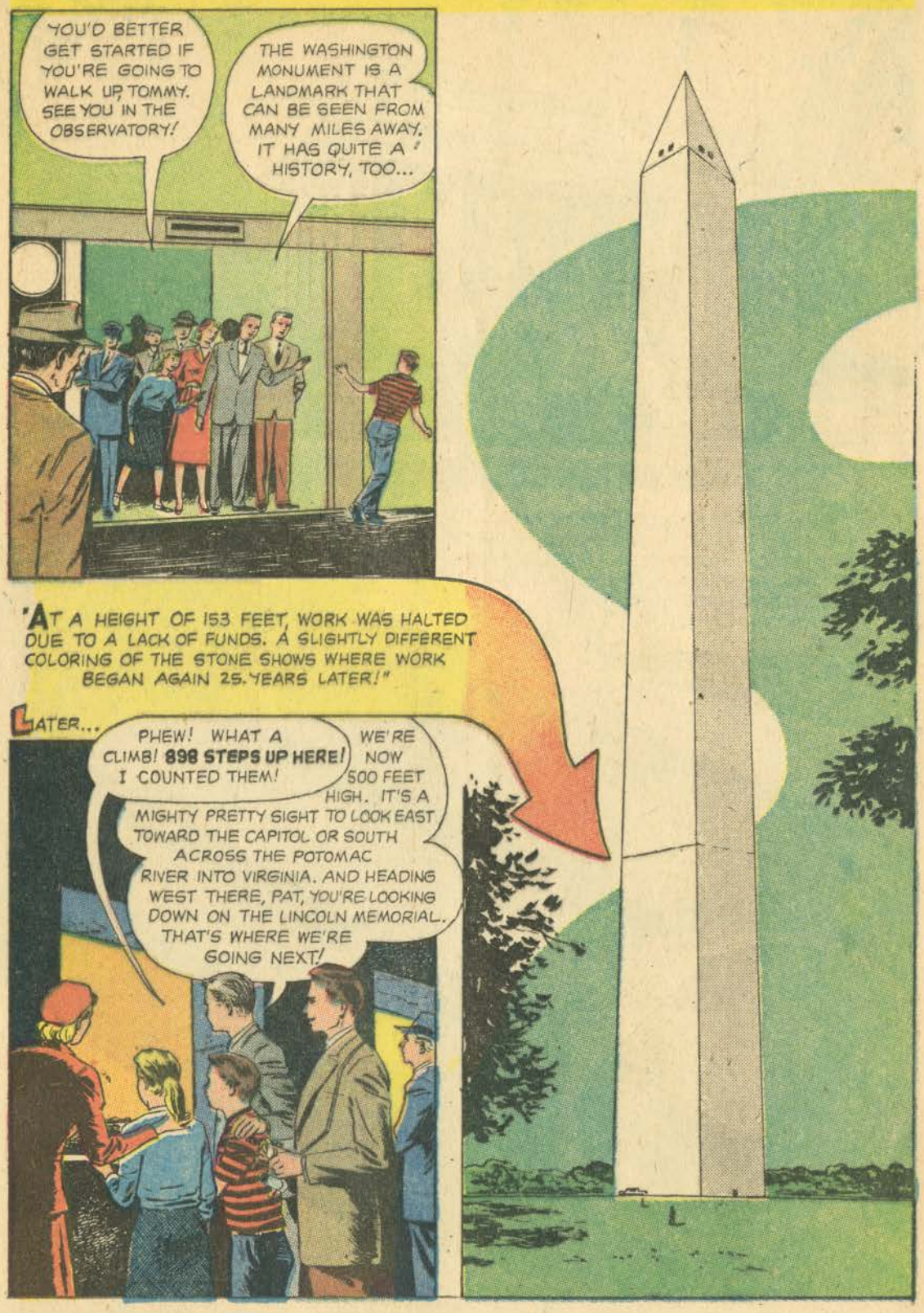

"YES, THIS IS THE WHITE HOUSE, THE HOME OF ALL OUR PRESIDENTS SINCE JOHN ADAMS FIRST LIVED HERE IN 1800. WHEN ONLY THE WALLS WERE LEFT STANDING AFTER IT WAS BURNED BY THE BRITISH IN 1814, THIS MANSION WAS REBUILT IN THE ORIGINAL STYLE...
...TODAY, THE WHITE HOUSE IS COMPLETELY MODERN EVEN TO HAVING AN A-BOMB SHELTER IN THE BASEMENT. SEVERAL ROOMS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, SO LET'S GO IN THE EAST GATE AND TAKE A LOOK!"

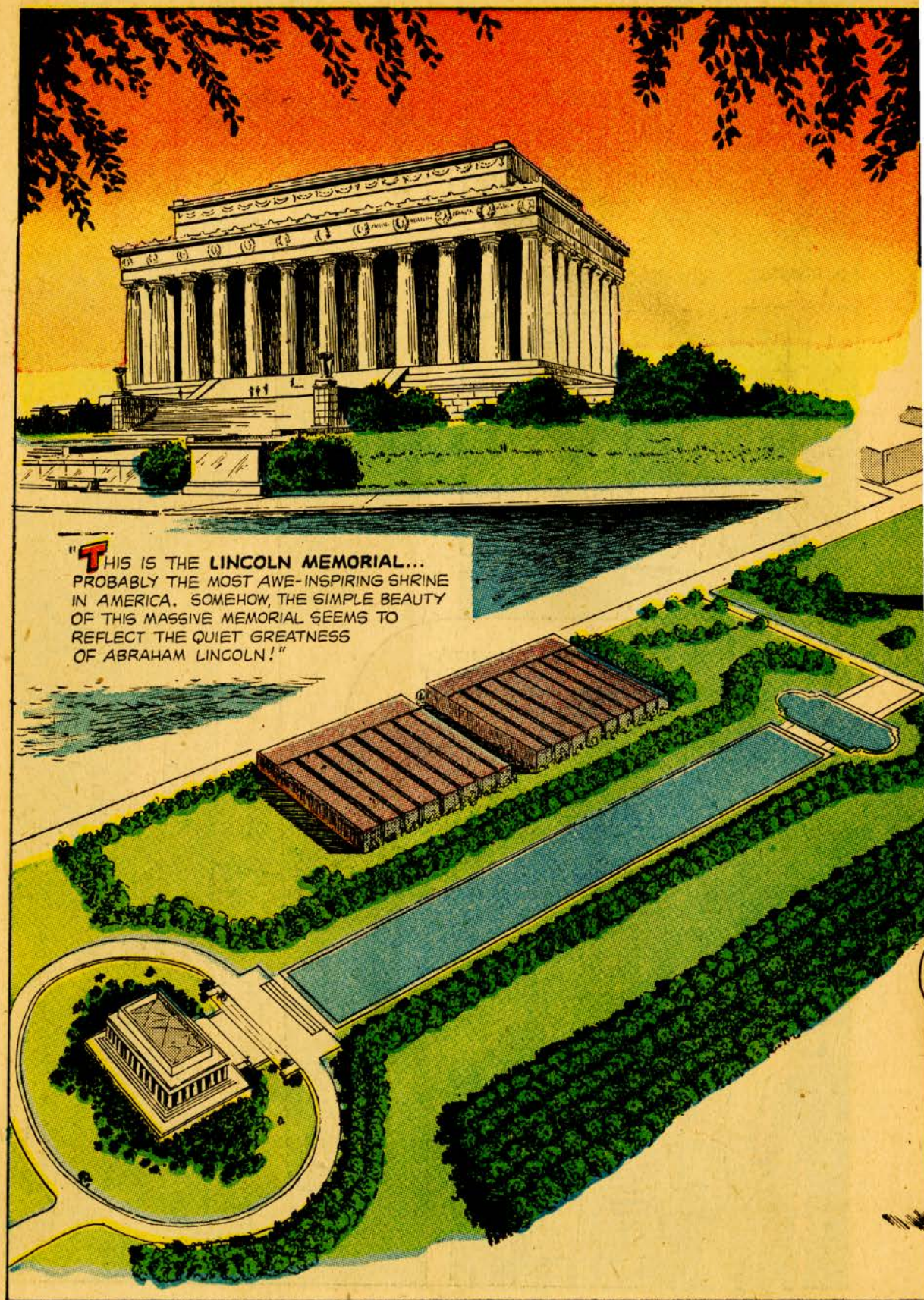

"THIS IS THE FAMOUS EAST ROOM. VISITORS ARE ALWAYS IMPRESSED WITH ITS SIZE AND BEAUTIFUL FURNISHINGS...
...THE ROOM IS 78½ FEET LONG AND 39 FEET WIDE. IT IS HERE THAT MANY IMPRESSIVE WHITE HOUSE GATHERINGS ARE HELD!"


THEY ALSO VISIT THE BLUE ROOM, GREEN ROOM, RED ROOM AND STATE DINING ROOM. THEN...
WHEN ARE WE GOING TO THE WASHINGTON MONUMENT, UNCLE BEN? IS THAT NEXT?
RIGHT, TOMMY. IT'S ONLY A SHORT DISTANCE FROM HERE!

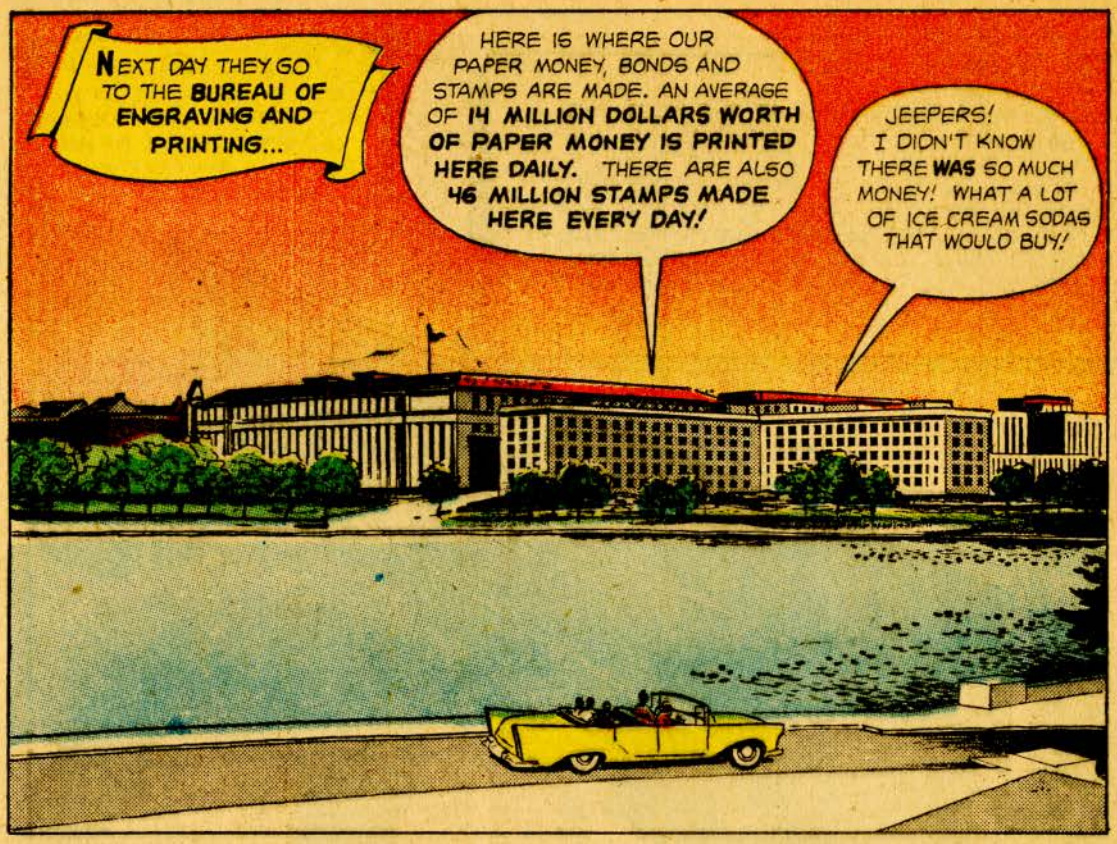
THE MONUMENT IS THE TALLEST STONE MASONRY BUILDING IN THE WORLD. THINK YOU CAN CLIMB THE STAIRS TO THE TOP?
SURE, I'LL GIVE IT A TRY. HOW HIGH IS IT, UNCLE BEN?

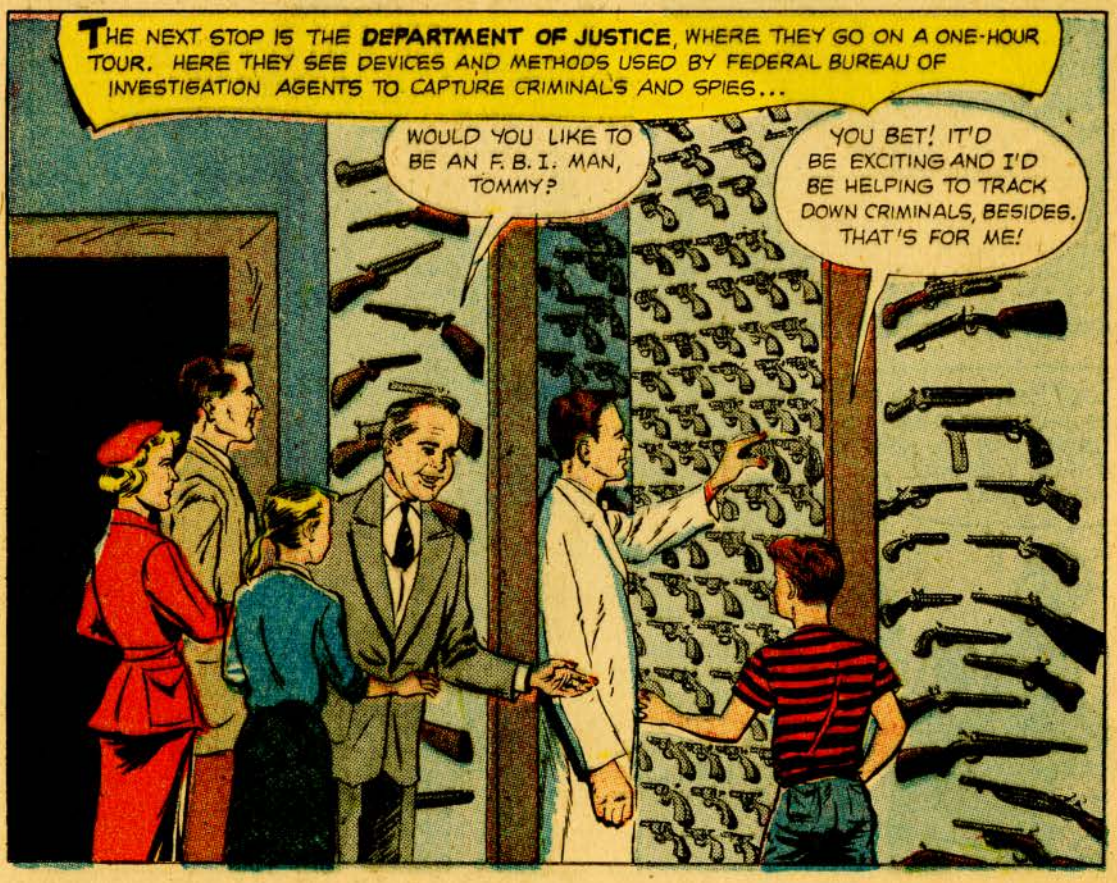
"THE **WASHINGTON MONUMENT**, BUILT IN HONOR OF THE FIRST PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, GEORGE WASHINGTON, IS **555 FEET, 5 INCHES HIGH.** IT'S MADE OF WHITE MARBLE AND AT THE BASE IS 55 FEET SQUARE!"

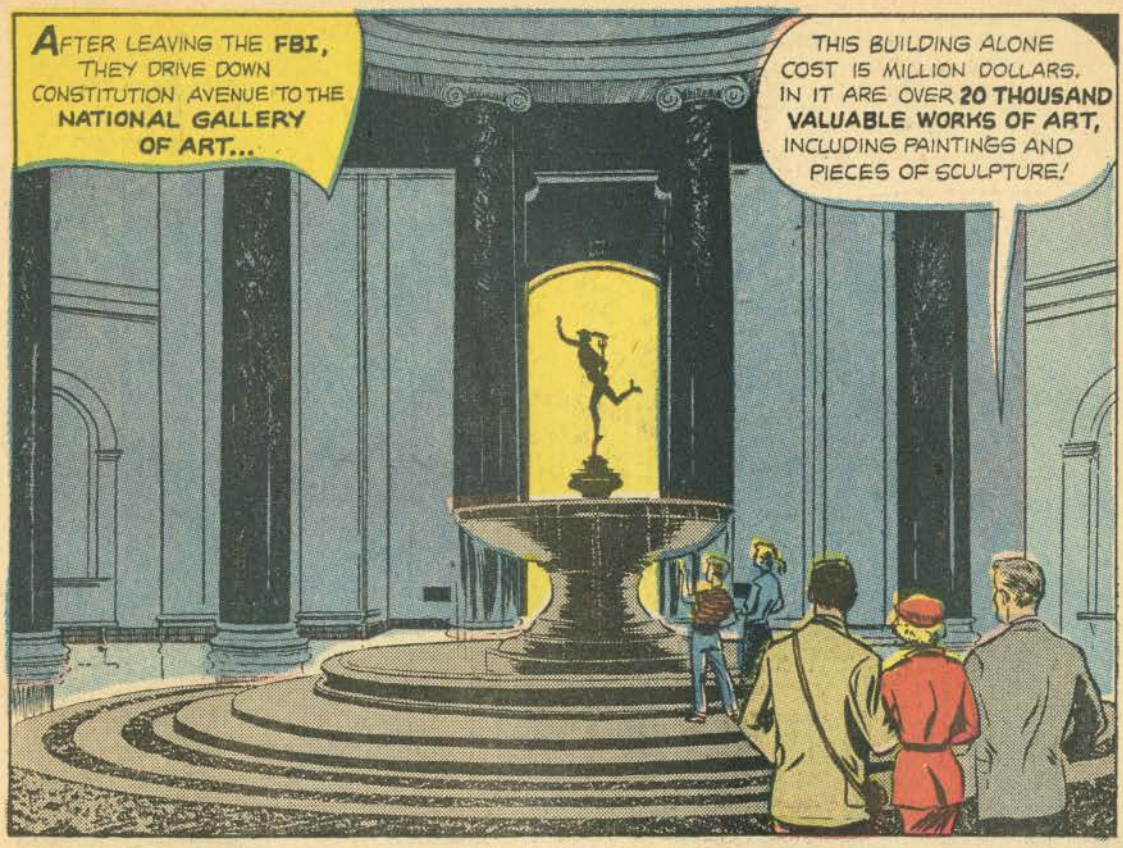

YOU'D BETTER GET STARTED IF YOU'RE GOING TO WALK UP, TOMMY. SEE YOU IN THE OBSERVATORY!
THE WASHINGTON MONUMENT IS A LANDMARK THAT CAN BE SEEN FROM MANY MILES AWAY. IT HAS QUITE A HISTORY, TOO...
"AT A HEIGHT OF 153 FEET, WORK WAS HALTED DUE TO A LACK OF FUNDS. A SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT COLORING OF THE STONE SHOWS WHERE WORK BEGAN AGAIN 25 YEARS LATER!"
LATER...
PHEW! WHAT A CLIMB! **898 STEPS UP HERE!** I COUNTED THEM!
WE'RE NOW 500 FEET HIGH. IT'S A MIGHTY PRETTY SIGHT TO LOOK EAST TOWARD THE CAPITOL OR SOUTH ACROSS THE POTOMAC RIVER INTO VIRGINIA. AND HEADING WEST THERE, PAT, YOU'RE LOOKING DOWN ON THE LINCOLN MEMORIAL. THAT'S WHERE WE'RE GOING NEXT!


"THIS IS THE LINCOLN MEMORIAL... PROBABLY THE MOST AWE-INSPIRING SHRINE IN AMERICA. SOMEHOW, THE SIMPLE BEAUTY OF THIS MASSIVE MEMORIAL SEEMS TO REFLECT THE QUIET GREATNESS OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN!"

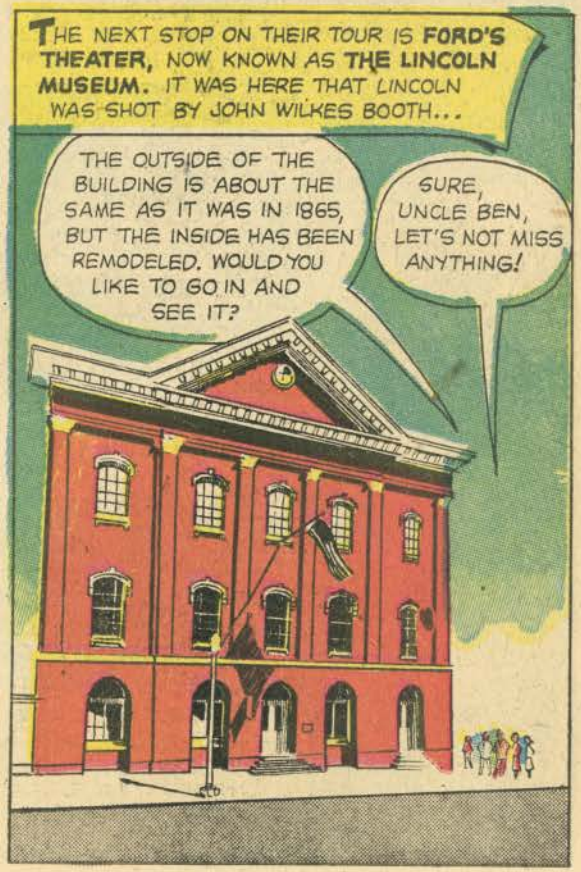
"THE LINCOLN MEMORIAL IS AT THE WEST END OF A WIDE, TREE-LINED PARK EXTENDING PAST THE WASHINGTON MONUMENT TO THE CAPITOL TWO MILES AWAY. THIS GRASSY STRIP IS KNOWN AS 'THE MALL'. BETWEEN THE MONUMENT AND THE MEMORIAL IS A HUGE POOL CALLED 'REFLECTING POOL'. THE MALL CONTRIBUTES MUCH TOWARD MAKING WASHINGTON, D.C. ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL CITIES IN THE WORLD!"
ONCE INSIDE THE MEMORIAL, VISITORS SEEM TO FEEL THE VERY PRESENCE OF LINCOLN'S SPIRIT...
YOU GET THE FEELING THAT OL' ABE IS SITTING THERE RIGHT NOW. TOMMY, CAN YOU READ WHAT IT SAYS ON THE WALL ABOVE HIM?
"IN THIS TEMPLE AS IN THE HEARTS OF THE PEOPLE FOR WHOM HE SAVED THE UNION THE MEMORY OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN IS ENSHRINED FOREVER"


NEXT DAY THEY GO TO THE BUREAU OF ENGRAVING AND PRINTING...
HERE IS WHERE OUR PAPER MONEY, BONDS AND STAMPS ARE MADE. AN AVERAGE OF 14 MILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF PAPER MONEY IS PRINTED HERE DAILY. THERE ARE ALSO 46 MILLION STAMPS MADE HERE EVERY DAY!
JEEPERS! I DIDN'T KNOW THERE WAS SO MUCH MONEY! WHAT A LOT OF ICE CREAM SODAS THAT WOULD BUY!


THE NEXT STOP IS THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, WHERE THEY GO ON A ONE-HOUR TOUR. HERE THEY SEE DEVICES AND METHODS USED BY FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION AGENTS TO CAPTURE CRIMINALS AND SPIES...
WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE AN F.B.I. MAN, TOMMY?
YOU BET! IT'D BE EXCITING AND I'D BE HELPING TO TRACK DOWN CRIMINALS, BESIDES. THAT'S FOR ME!


AFTER LEAVING THE FBI, THEY DRIVE DOWN CONSTITUTION AVENUE TO THE NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART...
THIS BUILDING ALONE COST 15 MILLION DOLLARS. IN IT ARE OVER 20 THOUSAND VALUABLE WORKS OF ART, INCLUDING PAINTINGS AND PIECES OF SCULPTURE!

THIS GALLERY IS A PARADISE FOR ART-LOVERS. I RECOGNIZE A LOT OF THESE PAINTINGS. THEY'RE WORTH A FORTUNE!
"A FORTUNE" IS RIGHT! WHY, THIS PAINTING ALONE IS VALUED AT OVER A MILLION DOLLARS!


THE NEXT STOP ON THEIR TOUR IS FORD'S THEATER, NOW KNOWN AS THE LINCOLN MUSEUM. IT WAS HERE THAT LINCOLN WAS SHOT BY JOHN WILKES BOOTH...
THE OUTSIDE OF THE BUILDING IS ABOUT THE SAME AS IT WAS IN 1865, BUT THE INSIDE HAS BEEN REMODELED. WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO IN AND SEE IT?
SURE, UNCLE BEN, LET'S NOT MISS ANYTHING!

INSIDE THE **LINCOLN MUSEUM** THEY SEE EXHIBITS WHICH RETELL MUCH OF LINCOLN'S LIFE--AND HIS DEATH. THEY ARE ALL INTERESTED IN A REPRODUCTION OF THE WAY THE THEATRE LOOKED ON THE NIGHT OF LINCOLN'S ASSASSINATION...

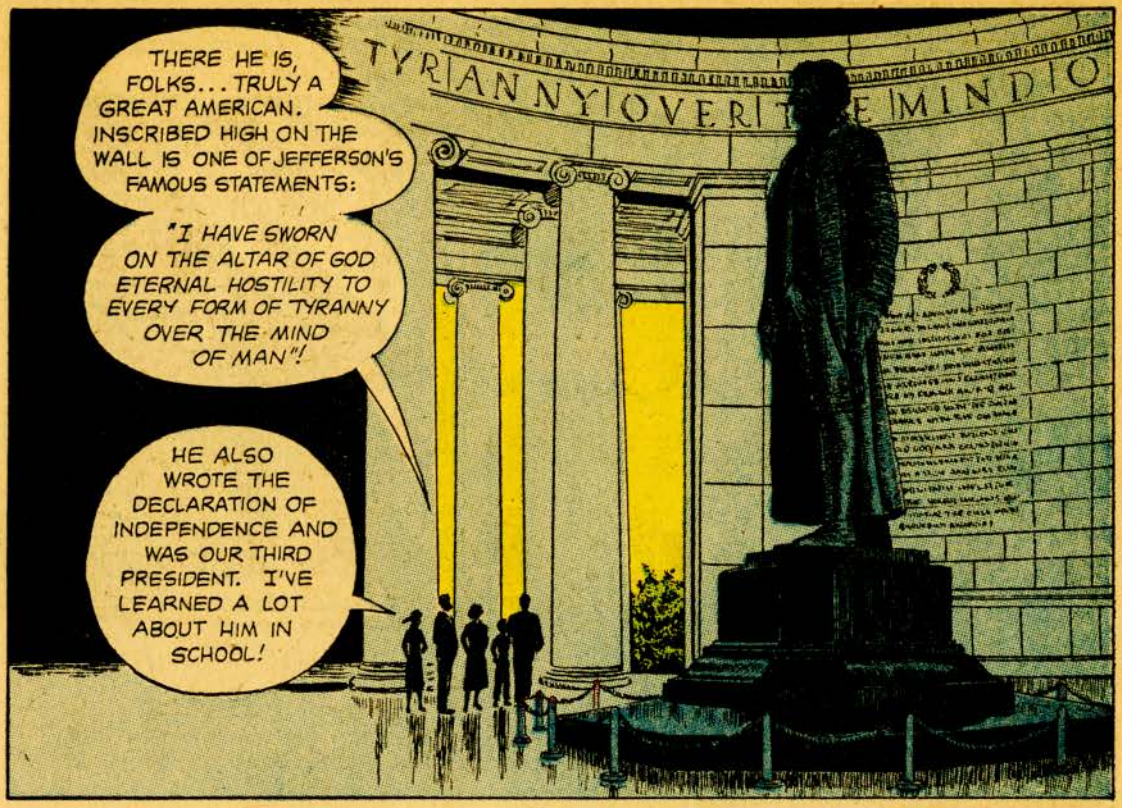
THEN THEY GO ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE THEATRE TO THE HOUSE WHERE LINCOLN WAS CARRIED AFTER HE WAS SHOT. HE DIED THERE THE NEXT MORNING!

CONTINUING THE TOUR, UNCLE BEN TAKES THEM TO THE **NATIONAL BOTANIC GARDENS**...

THIS PART IS ALMOST A JUNGLE. I'LL BET IT'S JUST LIKE THIS IN THE TROPICS!

AT THE BOTANIC GARDENS THEY SEE MANY UNUSUAL PLANTS AND FLOWERS. THEN UNCLE BEN TAKES THEM TO DINNER AND TELLS THEM TO GET PLENTY OF REST FOR THE BIG DAY COMING UP TOMORROW!

EARLY NEXT MORNING, THEY GO TO THE TIDAL BASIN...
WHAT A GLORIOUS SIGHT! IT'S--IT'S BEYOND DESCRIPTION!
I'VE ALWAYS HEARD HOW LOVELY THESE JAPANESE CHERRY BLOSSOMS ARE, BUT I NEVER DREAMED THEY COULD BE SO BEAUTIFUL!
UNCLE BEN, I'M GLAD WE COULD BE IN WASHINGTON DURING CHERRY BLOSSOM TIME!
I'M MIGHTY GLAD, TOO, YOUNG LADY, BUT WASHINGTON HAS LOTS TO OFFER EVERY DAY OF THE YEAR. JUST LOOK THROUGH THOSE BRANCHES. ISN'T THAT A PRETTY SIGHT?
"THAT'S THE JEFFERSON MEMORIAL YOU SEE ACROSS THE WATER. WE'LL RIDE ON AROUND THE TIDAL BASIN TO SEE MORE CHERRY BLOSSOMS, THEN GO AND SEE THE STATUE OF JEFFERSON!"


THERE HE IS, FOLKS... TRULY A GREAT AMERICAN. INSCRIBED HIGH ON THE WALL IS ONE OF JEFFERSON'S FAMOUS STATEMENTS:
"I HAVE SWORN ON THE ALTAR OF GOD ETERNAL HOSTILITY TO EVERY FORM OF TYRANNY OVER THE MIND OF MAN"!
HE ALSO WROTE THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE AND WAS OUR THIRD PRESIDENT. I'VE LEARNED A LOT ABOUT HIM IN SCHOOL!

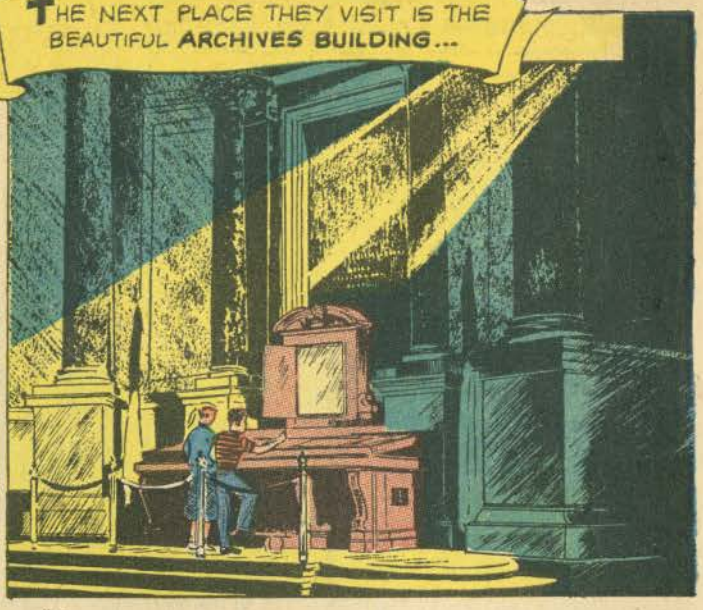
THE NEXT STOP IS THE UNITED STATES NATIONAL MUSEUM IN THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION GROUP...
Spirit of St Louis
WHAT AN OLD-TIMER THAT PLANE IS!
THAT WAS CHARLES LINDBERGH'S PLANE. I REMEMBER HOW THE RADIO BLARED OUT THAT HE HAD MADE THE FIRST NON-STOP FLIGHT ACROSS THE ATLANTIC OCEAN IN "THE SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS"!

THE WHOLE FAMILY IS AWED BY THE DIFFERENT KINDS OF INTERESTING EXHIBITS IN THE SMITHSONIAN GROUP. THEY SEE THE WRIGHT BROTHERS' AIRPLANE--THE FIRST EVER TO FLY--THEN GET A LOOK AT THE AMERICAN FLAG THAT FLEW OVER FORT McHENRY DURING BATTLE AND INSPIRED FRANCIS SCOTT KEY TO WRITE OUR "STAR SPANGLED BANNER"! FINALLY, IN ANOTHER PART OF THE MUSEUM...
THIS RECONSTRUCTED DINOSAUR IS JUST ONE OF A HUNDRED THINGS THAT MAKES THE NATURAL MUSEUM A FAVORITE OF VISITORS OF ALL AGES WHO COME TO WASHINGTON!

ONE OTHER THING I WANT TO BE SURE AND SEE IS THE ZOO. WE'RE GOING THERE, AREN'T WE?

PRETTY SOON, TOMMY. BUT THERE ARE A COUPLE OF OTHER PLACES NEAR HERE WE OUGHT TO SEE FIRST!

THE NEXT PLACE THEY VISIT IS THE BEAUTIFUL **ARCHIVES BUILDING**...

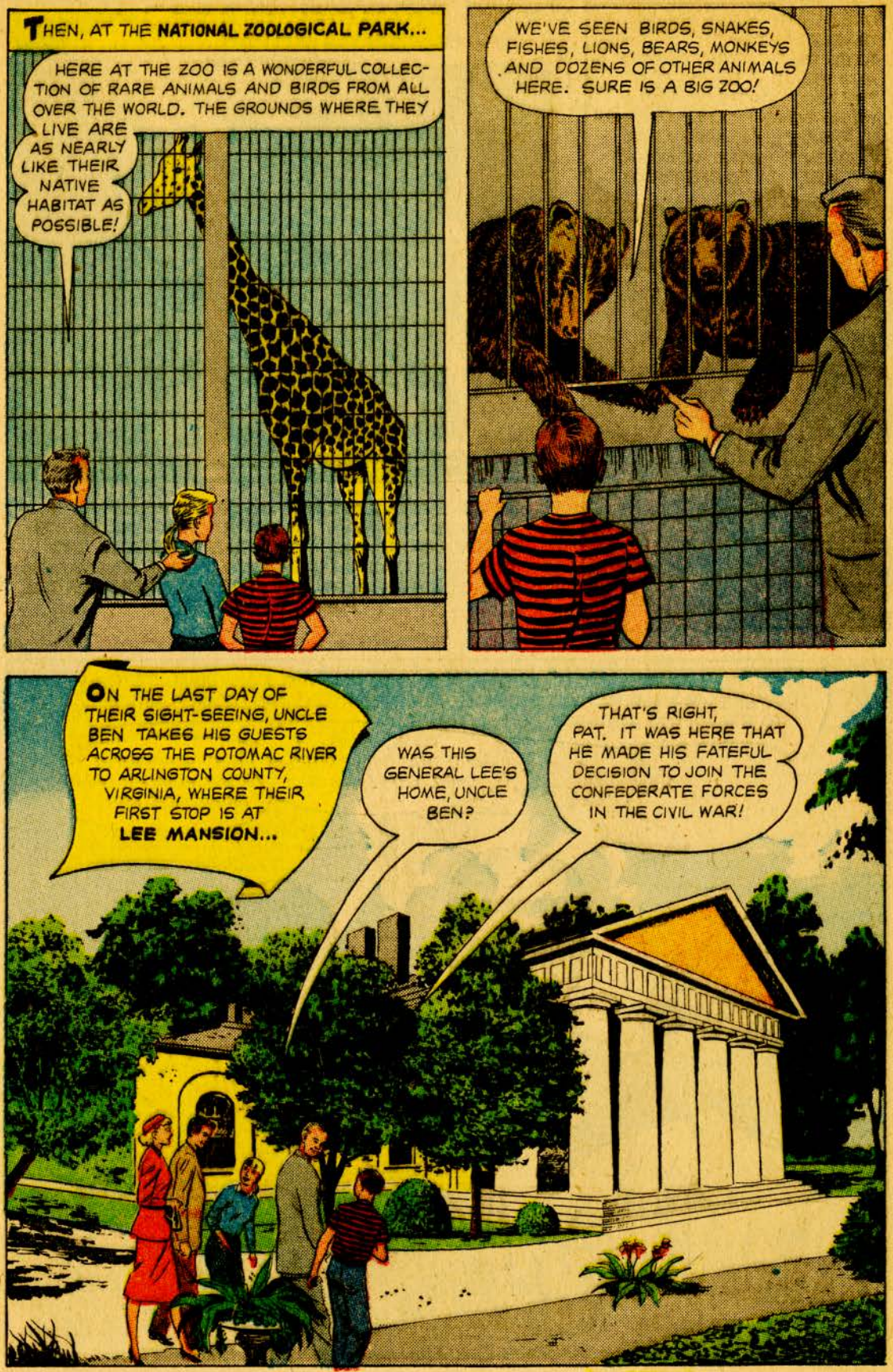


"IN HERE ARE IMPORTANT HISTORICAL RECORDS. PERHAPS THE MOST IMPORTANT OF ALL DOCUMENTS TO AMERICANS, IN ADDITION TO THE BIBLE, ARE THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE AND OUR CONSTITUTION. THE COPIES OF BOTH ARE PRESERVED HERE FOR THE PUBLIC TO SEE!"

THEN THEY GO TO THE COMMERCE BUILDING TO SEE THE **AQUARIUM**. THERE THEY SEE AN UNUSUAL COLLECTION OF FISHES, TURTLES AND LIZARDS NATIVE TO THE UNITED STATES...

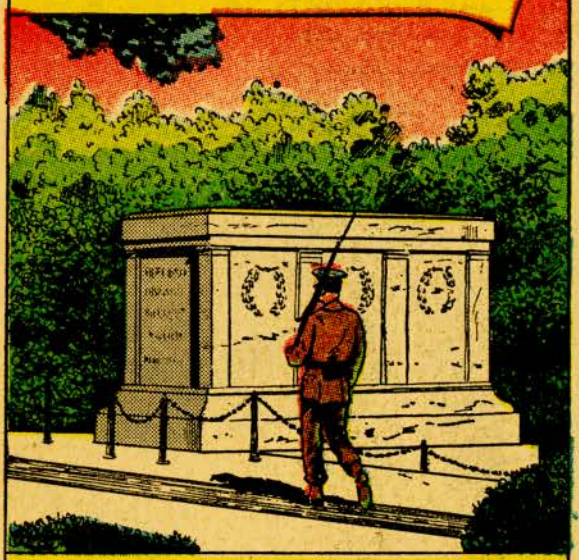
LOOK, TOMMY, I READ THAT THIS TURTLE IS OVER 100 YEARS OLD!

THEY SURE HAVE SOME WEIRD LOOKING CREATURES HERE!


THEN, AT THE NATIONAL ZOOLOGICAL PARK...
HERE AT THE ZOO IS A WONDERFUL COLLECTION OF RARE ANIMALS AND BIRDS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD. THE GROUNDS WHERE THEY LIVE ARE AS NEARLY LIKE THEIR NATIVE HABITAT AS POSSIBLE!
WE'VE SEEN BIRDS, SNAKES, FISHES, LIONS, BEARS, MONKEYS AND DOZENS OF OTHER ANIMALS HERE. SURE IS A BIG ZOO!
ON THE LAST DAY OF THEIR SIGHT-SEEING, UNCLE BEN TAKES HIS GUESTS ACROSS THE POTOMAC RIVER TO ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA, WHERE THEIR FIRST STOP IS AT LEE MANSION...
WAS THIS GENERAL LEE'S HOME, UNCLE BEN?
THAT'S RIGHT, PAT. IT WAS HERE THAT HE MADE HIS FATEFUL DECISION TO JOIN THE CONFEDERATE FORCES IN THE CIVIL WAR!

THE NEXT STOP IS AT THE U.S. MARINE CORPS WAR MEMORIAL. THIS HUGE MONUMENT, THE LARGEST EVER SCULPTURED IN BRONZE, VIVIDLY PORTRAYS ONE OF THE MOST DRAMATIC BATTLES OF WORLD WAR II WHEN THE AMERICAN FLAG WAS RAISED IN VICTORY ON MT. SURIBACHI, IWO JIMA!

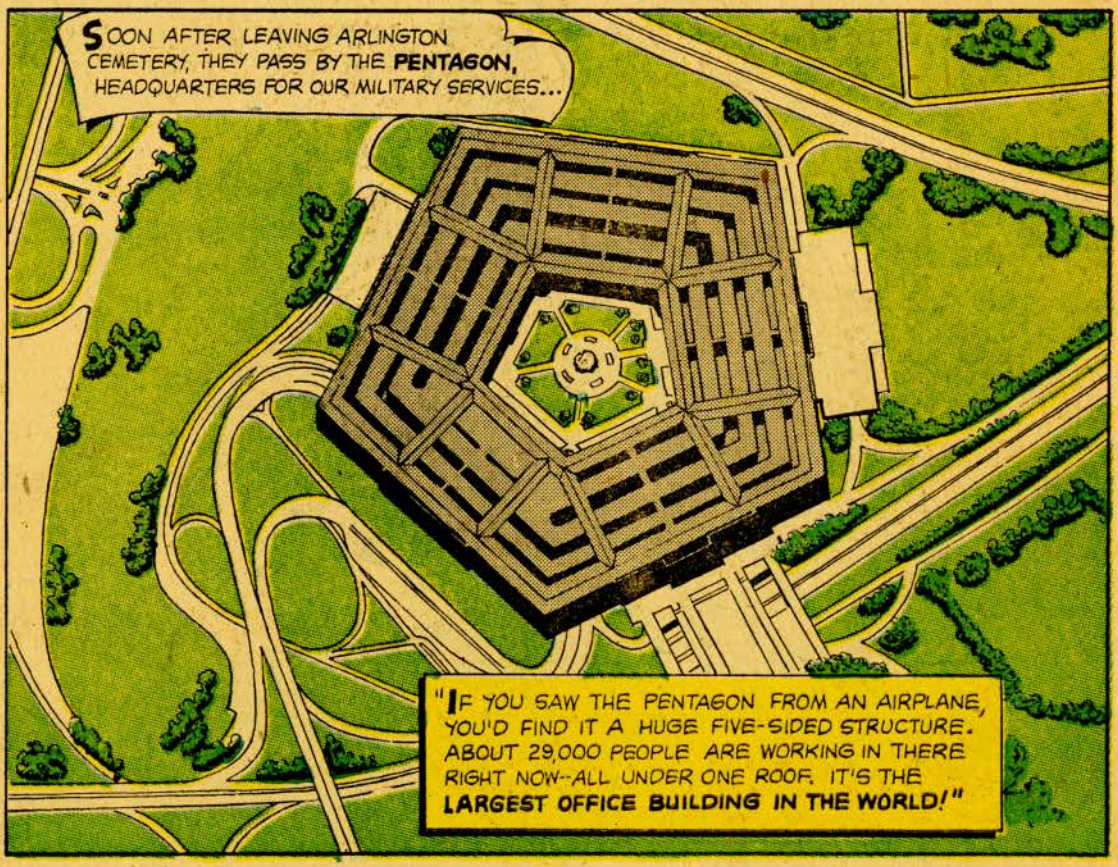
THE NEXT STOP ON THEIR TOUR OF THE WASHINGTON AREA'S MONUMENTS AND SHRINES IS THE **TOMB OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER...**



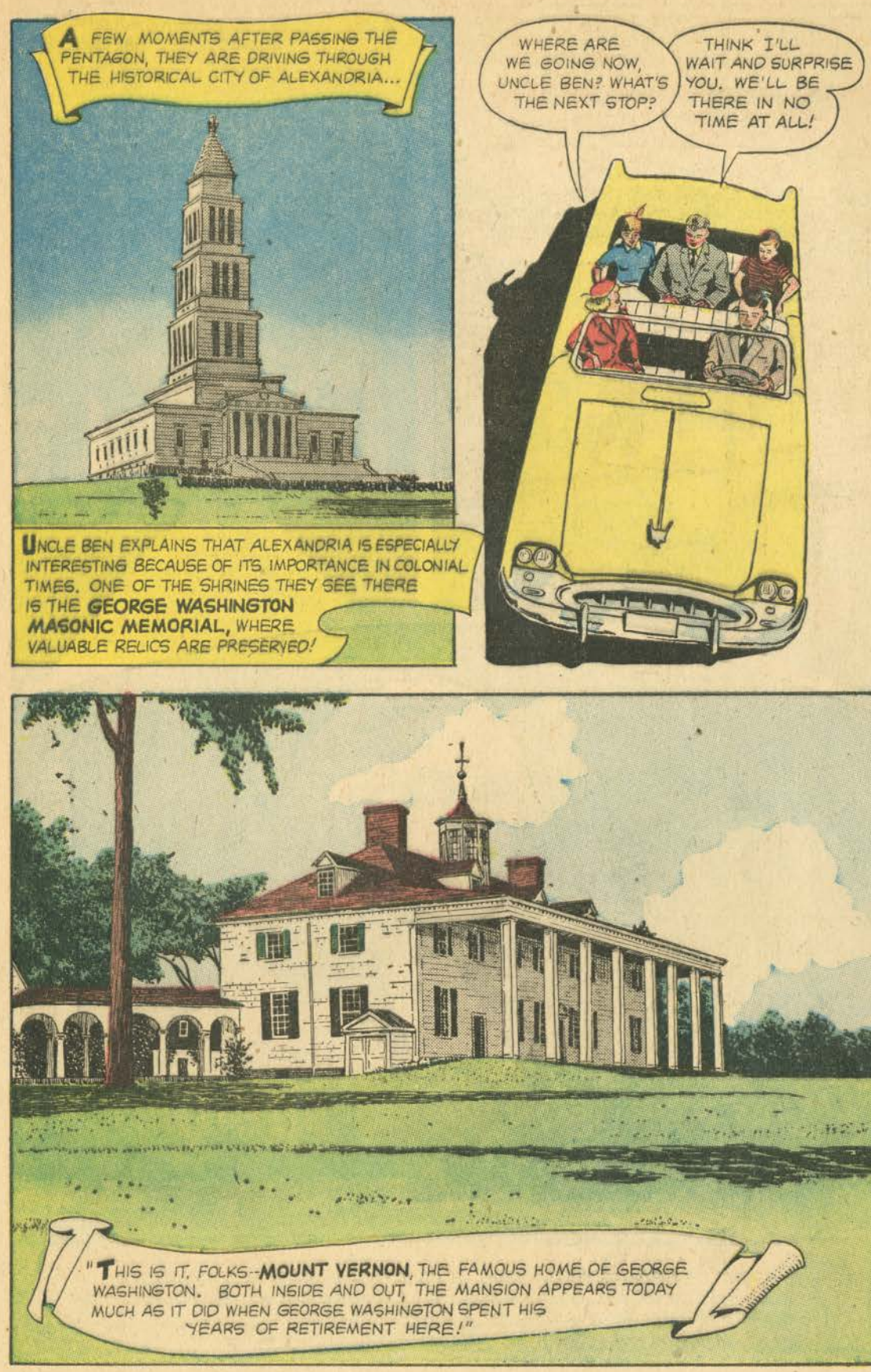
THROUGH RAIN, SLEET AND SNOW, THE TOMB IS GUARDED 24 HOURS A DAY, EVERY DAY OF THE YEAR. IT IS INTERESTING TO WATCH THE SENTRY HALT, PAUSE 29 SECONDS, SHOULDER ARMS AND TAKE THE 27 TO 29 STEPS ACROSS THE MAT BEFORE THE TOMB, THEN RETURN AND CONTINUE THE NEVER-ENDING VIGIL!

THE TOMB OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER IS LOCATED IN **ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY.** HERE ARE BURIED MANY HEROES AND HONORED DEAD OF OUR NATION'S WARS...

SOON AFTER LEAVING ARLINGTON CEMETERY, THEY PASS BY THE **PENTAGON,** HEADQUARTERS FOR OUR MILITARY SERVICES...



"IF YOU SAW THE PENTAGON FROM AN AIRPLANE, YOU'D FIND IT A HUGE FIVE-SIDED STRUCTURE. ABOUT 29,000 PEOPLE ARE WORKING IN THERE RIGHT NOW--ALL UNDER ONE ROOF. IT'S THE **LARGEST OFFICE BUILDING IN THE WORLD!"**


A FEW MOMENTS AFTER PASSING THE PENTAGON, THEY ARE DRIVING THROUGH THE HISTORICAL CITY OF ALEXANDRIA...
UNCLE BEN EXPLAINS THAT ALEXANDRIA IS ESPECIALLY INTERESTING BECAUSE OF ITS IMPORTANCE IN COLONIAL TIMES. ONE OF THE SHRINES THEY SEE THERE IS THE GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC MEMORIAL, WHERE VALUABLE RELICS ARE PRESERVED!
WHERE ARE WE GOING NOW, UNCLE BEN? WHAT'S THE NEXT STOP?
THINK I'LL WAIT AND SURPRISE YOU. WE'LL BE THERE IN NO TIME AT ALL!
"THIS IS IT, FOLKS--MOUNT VERNON, THE FAMOUS HOME OF GEORGE WASHINGTON. BOTH INSIDE AND OUT, THE MANSION APPEARS TODAY MUCH AS IT DID WHEN GEORGE WASHINGTON SPENT HIS YEARS OF RETIREMENT HERE!"

INSIDE THE HUGE MANSION, THEY SEE FURNITURE THAT WAS ACTUALLY USED BY GEORGE WASHINGTON AND HIS FAMILY IN COLONIAL DAYS...

TOMMY, YOU'VE HEARD THAT OLD SAYING, "GEORGE WASHINGTON SLEPT HERE". NOW WE CAN SAY IT AND REALLY MEAN IT 'CAUSE THIS WAS HIS BEDROOM!

AFTER LOOKING THROUGH THE HOUSE, THEY WALK DOWN A LITTLE HILL TO THE FINAL RESTING PLACE OF GEORGE WASHINGTON AND HIS WIFE, MARTHA. YES, THIS IS HIS GRAVE, BUT THE SPIRIT OF OUR FIRST PRESIDENT IS NOT BURIED HERE...

THE SPIRIT OF GEORGE WASHINGTON IS FELT EVERYWHERE IN OUR NATION'S CAPITAL. THE CITY OF TALL COLUMNS AND WHITE MARBLE SYMBOLIZES THE PURITY OF HIS BELIEFS, AND WILL REMAIN FOREVER A SHRINE TO THAT GREAT ARCHITECT OF FREEDOM!

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